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IN THE ABSTRACT

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A device to adjust the effective length of a sling during transport of a load has a continuous loop or sling and a carrier part. The carrier part has projections located at each of two opposed spaced sites. Each projection supports a segment of the sling. The carrier part also has an opening through which a loop segment of the sling is guided. The carrier part carries a deflection element in the area between the projections for deflecting an additional segment of the sling. The deflection element is pivotable in an opening of the carrier part.